

31. (previously added) The adjustable leveler of claim 30, wherein the turnbuckle has two oppositely-threaded end rods and a central body adapted to be turned relative to the end rods to shorten and lengthen the adjustable leveler.

32. (previously added) The adjustable leveler of claim 31, wherein the connector assembly comprises an angled arm that is angled sufficiently to rest the angled arm on a stock of the firearm when the adjustable leveler is positioned substantially in a downward direction from the firearm.

REMARKS

The Examiner of record provided an Office Action on all pending claims. Claims 1, 3, 4, 8 and 18-32 are pending. Claims 1, 3, 4, 8, 18-20 and 30-32 were allowed. Claims 21-29 were restricted and withdrawn.

The Applicant's representative appreciated the Examiner's interview on 2/17/04 where we discussed the restricted and withdrawn claims.

The Applicant's representative has cancelled claims 21-29 to place all of the remaining claims in a condition of allowance as indicated in the Office Action from the Examiner.

It is believed that all of the remaining claims find adequate support in the original specification. It is also believed that this response adequately addresses each and every issue presented in the Office Action. In light of the foregoing amendments, the claims should be in a condition for allowance. The Examiner is respectfully requested to grant the

allowance of the pending claims. In the event any questions remain, the Examiner is respectfully requested to initiate a telephone conference with the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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